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Sent: 12/2/2022 5:25:58 PM
To: Vaughn, Gloria [Vaughn.Gloria@epa.gov]; Houston, Robert [Houston.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Thanks.

Maybe we can have someone call in for that portion so Tom has someone to fall back on if there are questions he can't answer? Who do you recommend for that?

Delia Iris Gonzalez (she/her/ella) (please call me Iris)

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Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 8:42 AM
To: Gonzalez, Iris <Gonzalez.Iris@epa.gov>; Houston, Robert <Houston.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Iris,

I talked with Matt and apparently this trip is being planned by Rev. Caldwell and others. My initial thought was that it was TEJAS when Houston was mentioned. (I was thinking Manchester). Also, Matt does not plan on doing the Houston part of the trip. Given this additional information, I think that someone should go along with Tom and I am available if needed.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Tejada, Matthew" <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov>
Date: December 1, 2022 at 6:59:25 PM EST
To: "Vaughn, Gloria" <Vaughn.Gloria@epa.gov>, "Ruiz, Thomas" <Ruiz.Thomas@epa.gov>, "Gonzalez, Iris" <Gonzalez.Iris@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

FYI

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From: Astrid DuBois (WE ACT) <astrid@weact.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 6:55 PM
To: Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Naadiya Hutchinson (WE ACT) <naadiya.hutchinson@weact.org>
Subject: Re: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Hi Matt,

Yes! We will share a more detailed schedule tomorrow, but hopefully this breakdown can help:

HOUSTON

December 7th: Wednesday

3:30pm to 5pm: Unpacking and comparison CJEST and EJScreen to better serve our communities

5:30pm to 7:30pm: Community event - EJScreen 5:30pm to 7:30pm with Dr. Bullard and EPA's Matt Tejada

EVENT TYPE: Open to public, will include dinner

(COCO Private Press: NorthForest News)

LOCATION: Carl Walker MSC 4300 Noble St HTX 77020

December 8th: Thursday.

9am to 1pm: **Toxic Tour***

PICK-UP LOCATION: Hotel - Marriott Downtown

EVENT TYPE: Open to Press

1pm to 2pm: Lunch

2pm to 4pm: **J40 Briefing and Roundtable Conversation***

LOCATION: Green Institute at FURR High School

EVENT TYPE: Closed to Press

AUSTIN

December 9th: Friday

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM - **Toxic Tour***

LOCATION: Pick up from Cambria Hotel

EVENT TYPE: Open to press

Afternoon Break (lunch on your own)

7:00 PM Dinner together offsite

LOCATION: Casa Colombia: 2409 E. 7th

Saturday December 10th

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM **Justice40 Roundtable and Briefing***

LOCATION: Montopolis Recreation and Community Center, 1200 Montopolis Dr, Austin, TX 78741

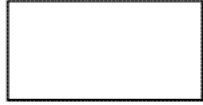
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On Thu, Dec 1, 2022 at 2:45 PM Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey yall – do you have an updated schedule for next week, particularly on Friday. Some additional EPA folks are trying to figure out attending.

Thanks,
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From: Naadiya Hutchinson (WE ACT) <naadiya.hutchinson@weact.org>

Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2022 3:40 PM

To: Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov>

Cc: Astrid DuBois (WE ACT) <astrid@weact.org>

Subject: Re: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Just added you and forward you on the emails!

Also, we were able to make some schedule changes so that the toxic tour for Austin on December 9th will now be at 10am. Jalonne from CEQ will also be attending.

Best,
Naadiya

On Tue, Nov 22, 2022 at 12:58 PM Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Absolutely. Could you forward me the traffic you already sent it to Dr. Nance and to Jonathan Nelson so I can follow up with them? Easier that way than me trying to get them to understand what it is I am following up with them on cold.

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From: Naadiya Hutchinson (WE ACT) <naadiya.hutchinson@weact.org>

Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2022 12:46 PM

To: Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov>

Cc: Astrid DuBois (WE ACT) <astrid@weact.org>

Subject: Re: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Hi Matthew,

No, there will be no conflicts since the 3:30pm will be at the same location with the COCO and TEJAS team.

Thank you for letting me know about the 9th, we are going to do a federal J40 sesh, with you/ COCO/ TEJAS and hopefully a few folks from CEQ.

Also, thank you for the connections with additional Houston invitees, I am following up with the EPA Region 6 people you flagged. We have not heard back from some of the other EPA invites such as the Region 6 Administrator (Administrator Nance or staff) or the EPA Office of Drinking Water (specifically for Houston- Jonathan Nelson or other staff). If you could please support by internally uplifting our requests for attendance that would be greatly appreciated.

Best,
Naadiya

On Fri, Nov 18, 2022 at 6:32 PM Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Naadiya – I can do the 3:30 thing on the 7th as long as it doesn't conflict with the COCO event (which I think is that evening). The 8th is fine and I will leave straight from there to drive to Austin on the evening of the 8th.

On the 9th I am flying out of Austin at 4:30 so whatever I can do that gets me away to the airport by 2:30 I'll do. I'm in your hands until that time. Could we do a federal J40 sesh together before the toxic tour?

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From: Naadiya Hutchinson (WE ACT) <naadiya.hutchinson@weact.org>

Sent: Friday, November 18, 2022 1:18 PM

To: Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov>

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Subject: Re: Houston and Austin WeACT J40 events for EJ communities

Hi Matthew,

Thank you for your confirmation for the Houston and Austin days, and for the connection! We would love to have EPA Region 6 participation. I will follow up on Monday with an official RSVP form so that I can start to get a headcount for catering. I had sent an invitation to Administrator Nance, but had not received a response yet.

Danielle - yes, I can share a flyer to share with the community on Monday or Tuesday of next week.

For December 7th, I just wanted to note that if you are available Dr. Bullard, and the team at COCO and TEJAS would like for you to join for a conversation on comparing and strategizing best utilization of the CEJST and EJScreen at 3:30pm est.

Additional details for Houston are:

These are two the hotels that we recommend:

- Embassy Suites by Hilton Houston Downtown
- Marriott Marquis Houston

December 8th: Thursday

- 9am to 1pm: Toxic Tour
 - LOCATION: Meet up at Hotel (Marriott Marquis Downtown)
- 1pm to 2pm: Lunch
 - LOCATION: Green Institute at FURR High School
- 2pm to 4pm: J40 Briefing and Roundtable Conversation
 - LOCATION: Green Institute at FURR High School

AUSTIN

Here are two hotels that we recommend for Austin:

- <https://www.choicehotels.com/texas/austin/cambria-hotels/txj47?mc=llgoxxpx>
- Second choice: <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/ausahhf-hilton-austin-airport/>

December 9th: Friday (Times are tentative, and will potentially change by 1 hour)

1. Approx 1pm CST to 4pm CST - Toxic Tour
 1. LOCATION: Pick up from Choice Hotels
1. Approx 5pm CST - Dinner and conversation with Susana (Director of PODER)

December 10th: Saturday

1. 10am to 1pm CST: Justice40 Roundtable Conversation
 1. LOCATION: Montopolis Recreation and Community Center - 1200 Montopolis Dr, Austin, TX 78741
 2. In person attendance is preferred, however virtual options will be available for federal agencies

Please let me know if you have any additional questions, and I will be sharing additional information soon.

Best,
Naadiya

On Fri, Nov 18, 2022 at 11:18 AM Tejada, Matthew <Tejada.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Resending this with a more appropriate subject header so it doesn't slip through folks' inboxes 😊

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From: Tejada, Matthew

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Subject: RE: Invite | Seattle Environmental Justice Justice40 Tour

Astrid, Naadiya, and Dana – two things here.

1. Confirming Houston on December 8 and Austin on December 9 for the federal infrastructure funding and Justice40 EJ trainings. Let me know if you have any further details.
2. I've included a few other folks on this email. Iris, Tom, and Jennah for awareness in our R6 office (I think I already let Iris know that these are happening and I'll be down for them but just making sure) and then also Danielle Getsinger who is a huge champion and supporter for several communities working on EJ challenges in Houston who also has connections in Austin. She would be thankful for any information she can share through her community networks in both locations to get folks to your training event if it is open to such.

Thanks,

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